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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill conforms current law to federal regulations under the Americans with Disabilities Act by extending the Public Accommodations Law to cover any type of service animal, not just guide dogs. The bill eliminates the requirements that a guide dog accompanying a person with a disability must wear a harness, leash, or special cape and that the person with a disability who is accompanied by a guide dog must present credentials issued by a guide dog training school. The bill prohibits a public accommodation from refusing to permit entrance, use, or full and equal enjoyment of the public accommodation to the person with the disability or service animal trainer because they are accompanied by a service animal. The bill applies to service animal trainers only if the animal is wearing a harness, leash or special cape. It does not prohibit the service animal trainer from being asked if the animal is required because of a disability or being trained to produce credentials proving the animal is being trained. These changes would not have a fiscal effect on DHFS or on county human services and social services departments.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications